

Synonyms

Journey, trip, travel, voyage

A **trip** is shorter than a **journey**: What was the journey like? We had a long journey by coach from the north to the south of the country. We took a trip / went on a trip to the beach last weekend. [go on a trip suggests an organised short excursion, whereas take trip or have a trip could be something you do yourselves in your own car.

Travel is a general word. It is a noun and a verb: Travel broadens the mind. How did you travel round Australia? We hitch-hiked. *Note:* We never say 'a travel'. It is an uncountable noun.

Voyage means a long journey usually by sea, though this use is quite formal. It is often used in other contexts with discovery. Learning English is a voyage of discovery!

Choose the best word *flight, journey, trip, travel* or *voyage* to fit these gaps.

- 1 I would love to round the world in a balloon.
- 2 The *Titanic* sank on its maiden
- 3 How long does the from New York to Rio take?
- 4 She says her hobbies are reading, golf and
- 5 When they were in Cairo they took a to see the Pyramids.
- 6 Getting from London to the north of Scotland involves an overnight train

Fill in the blanks. Most of the words you need can be found opposite.

Yesterday John was supposed to take a⁽¹⁾ from London to Amsterdam. He got up very early, put his luggage in the⁽²⁾ of his car and tried to start the engine. It wouldn't start. John lifted the⁽³⁾ but he couldn't see what the matter could be. He immediately called his local⁽⁴⁾ to ask them to send a⁽⁵⁾ at once. Fortunately, the garage had a man free and he was with John within ten minutes. He quickly saw what the matter was. 'You've⁽⁶⁾ of petrol,' he said. John felt very foolish. 'Why didn't I⁽⁷⁾ everything last night?' he wondered. Despite all this, he got to the airport, checked in quite early and then went straight through to the⁽⁸⁾ to read a newspaper while he waited. Soon he heard an announcement. 'Passengers on flight BA 282 to Amsterdam are informed that all flights to and from Amsterdam are⁽⁹⁾ because of a heavy snowfall last night.' 'If only I had decided to go by⁽¹⁰⁾,' John thought. 'It would probably have been quicker in the end and even if I sometimes feel sick on the⁽¹¹⁾, it can be quite pleasant sitting in a⁽¹²⁾ on the deck, watching the seagulls and the other⁽¹³⁾. The⁽¹⁴⁾ on a ship seem to produce much better food than those on an aircraft too.'

Put the right verb, *match, suit* or *fit*, into each of these sentences.

- 1 The blue dress her properly now she's lost some weight.
- 2 The blue of her dress the blue of her eyes.
- 3 That blue dress the girl with the blonde hair.

Creative Task

Write a holiday advertisement for a place you know well. Use as many of the words from Section B opposite as possible.

The language of holiday brochures is often quite exaggerated. Here are some typical adjectives with nouns that they collocate with.

breath-taking views/scenery/pistes (ski slopes) [breath-taking (like **stunning**) suggests something is so magnificent that it takes your breath away]

exclusive access/club/shops [only the most special people can use the facilities]

exhilarating feeling/ride/moment [makes you feel excited and full of energy]

exotic beauty/charm/location [unusual and much more exciting than one's everyday reality]

glamorous surroundings/film star/hotel [especially exciting and attractive]

intoxicating views/air/fragrance [makes you feel excited and emotional]

legendary hospitality/figure/status [so special that it has been famous for some time]

luxurious cruise ship/accommodation/lifestyle [provides great comfort]

mighty river/cathedral/oak [large and powerful]

picturesque streets/villages/cottage [as pretty as a picture]

sublime pleasure/simplicity/skill [heavenly or divine]

unsurpassed opportunity/beauty/quality [nothing better exists]

unspoilt charm/village/woodland [still in a beautiful and natural state]

Work with dictionary to find word families

Complete this table. Use a dictionary to help you, if necessary.

adjective	noun	verb
exhilarating
glamorous
intoxicating
legendary	—
luxurious

Collocations

Suggest three words which would collocate well with each other of the nouns below, as in the examples. The words do not have to be on the left-hand page.

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| 1
..... museum
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..... college
..... | 5 <u>night</u>
..... club
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| 2 <u>leisure</u>
..... centre
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..... court
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..... agency
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